

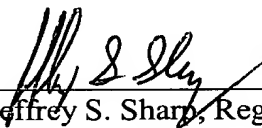
REMARKS

The foregoing amendment is made to eliminate the multiple dependency of claim 10. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claim by the current amendment. An early notice of allowance is hereby solicited. Should the Examiner wish to discuss any matter of form or substance, she is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

Claim 10 has been amended as follows:

10. [AMENDED] A method for the detection, and optionally quantification, of PrP<sup>Sc</sup> or digestion products thereof, wherein PrP<sup>Sc</sup> is first concentrated according to claim 1 [one of claims 1 to 6] and then detected, and optionally compared with a standard.

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